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Hubert METZNER et al.	)	Group Art Unit: 1654
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Sir:

**SUBMISSION OF DUPLICATE COPY OF ORIGINAL SPECIFICATION AND CLAIMS**

In response to a request today by the Examiner, Applicants submit a duplicate copy of the specification, including claims, as originally filed on March 16, 2001.

According to the Examiner, this submission is required as the Office's scanned copy of the original application, which was made after the filing of the application, is light and thus is in certain locations is difficult to read.

As this submission is made merely to assist the Office in publishing the patent, and presents only the application text as originally filed, it does not present new matter.

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Respectfully submitted,

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